

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:105
ANSWERED ON:09.12.2003
METRO RAIL SERVICES
KANTI SINGH;RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government propose to introduce Metro Rail Services in States surrounding National Capital Region of Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government is encouraging different States to plan for Metro Rail systems for their large urban areas and cities particularly the States having a population of more than forty lakhs;
- (d) if so, the details of plans submitted and clearance given by the Union Government to such States;
- (e) the financial and technical assistance offered by the Union Government therefor; and
- (f) the details of Memorandum of Understanding signed between the States and DMRC?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) to (f): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 105 FOR 09.12.2003 REGARDING M RAIL SERVICES.

(a) & (b): The Union Government has not received any proposal for extension of the Delhi Metro (mass rapid transit system - MRTS) to any of the States surrounding the National Capital Territory of Delhi. However, the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation Ltd. (DMRC) has taken up studies to prepare Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) for extending the Delhi MRTS to NOIDA in Uttar Pradesh and Gurgaon in Haryana.

(c) to (e): The Union Government considers, on merit, proposals of States for techno-economic studies to improve urban transport facilities in major cities, including metro rail systems, and funds a part (40 per cent) of the cost of such studies undertaken by States for this purpose. So far, grant-in-aid of Rs.1281 lakh approx. has been released by the Union Government to sixteen States for such studies in twenty five cities. In respect of metro rail projects, the Government of Karnataka has submitted a proposal for Bangalore, based on a DPR prepared by the DMRC with approved funding assistance of Rs.1 crore from the Union Government. The proposed metro rail project for Bangalore, involves a total length of 33 km approx. in two corridors. The proposal has been referred to the Planning Commission. In view of the present status of the proposal, it is not possible to indicate the nature and quantum of financial assistance of the Union Government for this project.

(f): DMRC has not entered into Memorandum of Understanding with any State Government. However, State Governments of Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra and Gujarat have signed agreements with the DMRC for preparation of DPRs for metro rail systems in the cities of Bangalore, Hyderabad, Mumbai and Ahmedabad respectively. The DPRs have suggested two corridors (aggregate length of 33 km approx.) for Bangalore and two corridors (aggregate length of 39 km approx.) for Hyderabad. The DPRs for Mumbai and Ahmedabad have not been received by the Union Government.